

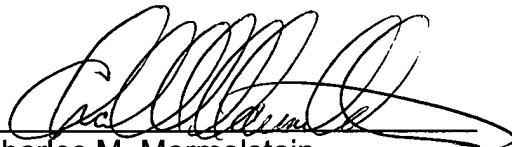
AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, Title: Please correct typographical errors to read as follows:

--ENGINE OF COMPRESSION-RATIO VARIABLE TYPE--

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Marmelstein', written over a horizontal line.

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